MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : It will be considered.

Copy of the Medical Stores Rules for the Council Library.

26. MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum cum Neduvangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to place in the Legislative Council Library a copy of the "Rules for the conduct of work in the General Medical Stores" ?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : A copy of the Rules for the conduct of work in the General Medical Stores has been placed in the Legislative Council Library.

Claims of Mr. P. A. Krishna Pillai for a Sirkar Vakil's Post.

27. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : (*a*) Are the Government aware that Mr. P. A. Krishna Pillai, B. A., B. L., High Court Vakil, Alleppey, has acted many times as Sirkar Vakil within the last few years ?

(*b*) If so, will the Government be pleased to state why they overlooked his claims in the recent appointments to Sirkar Vakil's post ?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) Yes ; three times.

(*b*) Government are not prepared to discuss with the member the claims of individuals to particular appointments.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : May I know whether Mr. P. A. Krishna Pillai was an applicant for the post of a Sirkar Vakil at the time of the appointment ?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : He was.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : Then, may I know why his claims were overlooked ?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : The answer is contained in the answer to part (*b*).

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : Was he found unfit ?

PRESIDENT : I am afraid we cannot go into personal matters.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : Is it not an injustice done to him ?

PRESIDENT : We cannot discuss personal matters.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAY (*Ambalapuzha*) : May I know whether I am at liberty to put a supplementary question ? I was not here when my question was called out.

PRESIDENT : I will allow you to put a supplementary question.

Stray Cattle on the Kalpalakkadavu Road.

28. MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*) : (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any one in charge of the public road from the Fort to the Beach in Trivandrum, as contemplated in Section 11 of the Cattle Trespass Regulation ? If so, who is the officer ?

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[Mr. P. K. Narayana Pillai.]

(*b*) Are the Government aware of the great inconvenience caused to motor cars on the said road near Kalpalakkadavu by a large number of sheep and lambs being allowed to stray constantly and collect at that part of the road?

(*b*) Is there anything to prevent steps being taken, either at the instance of the police or those in charge of the road, under Section 11 aforesaid?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) There is no special officer; but Police and Municipal officers are competent to act.

(*b*) Goats, kids and other cattle are frequently found straying on this and other roads.

(*c*) No. The Police have taken up 20 cases in the town of Trivandrum during the current year.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): Does not the Regulation in question refer to an officer being in charge of the roads?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): It does refer.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): Then, why was not a separate officer put in charge of this Kalpalakkadavu road?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Probably because Government are under the impression that the police and municipal staff are for the time being enough for the purpose.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): Have the police taken any action with respect to the straying of cattle near the Kalpalakkadavu road?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Government will enquire.

GENERAL DISCUSSION ON THE BUDGET. (*Contd.*)

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): I rise to make a few brief observations on the budget statement presented by the learned Financial Secretary. I have hardly anything new to suggest; but I feel I should not omit to lay emphasis on certain aspects of popular grievances dealt with by the previous speakers and fundamentally associated with the financial policy. The Budget forecast may be a good or bad one; but until at the close of the discussion when alone its intrinsic merits will be disclosed and when commonsense will have intervened to place either a wreath of glory on it or wrap it up in rags of disappointment, I say, until then, it is well that both praise and blame are withheld.

The late Mr. Sankarasubba Aiyar, that eminent statesman whose reputation has continued to grow in spite of his having been born a

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